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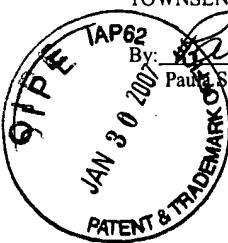
**PATENT**

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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re application of:

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For: DATABASE QUERY  
OPERATIONS USING STORAGE  
NETWORKS

Customer No.: 20350

Confirmation No. 1653

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Sir:

In response to the Final Office Action mailed July 27, 2006, please enter the following amendments and remarks:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 13 of this paper.